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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 4-6, 9-10, 14 and 18 as follows:

- 4. (Amended) The method set forth claim 1, wherein the small particle is a fine particle having a particle diameter of 0.01 μ m to 10 μ m.
- 5. (Amended) The method set forth in claim 1, wherein the small particle is a liposome including the foreign matter.
- 6. (Amended) The method set forth in claim 1, wherein the small particle is a bead fixing the foreign matter.
- 9. (Amended) The method set forth in claim 1, wherein the laser is at least one laser selected from the group consisting of a YAG laser, an exima laser, an Ar ion laser, a nitrogen laser and a nitrogen-excited color laser.